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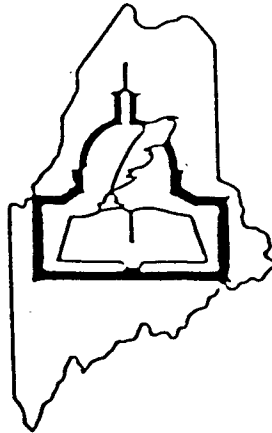
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "CA" if it is a committee amendment. If the amendment was adopted in the House, the letter H appears after the sponsor. If it was adopted in the Senate, the letter S appears.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-AM	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

Funding for LD 2402 would have been generated from an increase in certain probate fees and, in 1988, an increase in filing fees for domestic relations cases.

LD 2405 AN ACT TO MAKE CORRECTIONS OF ERRORS AND INCONSISTENCIES IN THE LAWS OF MAINE

PL 1985
c. 737

Sponsor: CARPENTER, Kane
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 2272.

S-546	CARPENTER	H	S
S-548	CARPENTER	H	S
S-549	CARPENTER	H	S

SUMMARY: The Errors Bill, as it left the Judiciary Committee, contained corrections of technical errors. One substantive change in the statutes was added on the floor: the special rule applicable to pronouns reflecting gender in the education laws was repealed. The general rule of construction of the statutes in Title 1 was amended to require, whenever reasonable as determined by the Revisor of Statutes, the use of nouns rather than pronouns in drafting to avoid gender identification. The general rule will still apply, however: words of the masculine gender may include the feminine.

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